

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 10/695,941 Confirmation No. 6279  
Applicant : Hammer, et al.  
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Title: : Cellulose-Hydrate-Containing Food Casing with Vinylpyrrolidone  
Polymers  
Examiner : O Hern, Brent T.  
Docket No. : P179 1130.1  
Customer No.: 59554

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 8, 2007, this Amendment and Response is submitted. No additional fees are believed to be required. Please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected on the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission;

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this submission; and

**Conclusions** begin on page 9 of this submission.